



Sheep Supply CANADA

Year To Date for the Month Ending May, 1998

Fed. & Prov. Slaughter (head)				Monthly Prices			
1998 preliminary	1998	1997	% chg	Ontario Average \$/cwt	1998	1997	% chg
B.C./Alta/Sask./Man.	27,122	25,714	5.5	A&B 80-94 lbs	147.25	131.95	11.6
Ontario	68,079	71,079	-4.2	New Crop	144.15	214.31	-32.7
Quebec	30,469	30,252	0.7	Sheep	64.45	66.06	-2.4
Atl. Provinces	1,157	2,877	-59.8	1998 Mkt Lambs	Feeder Lambs	Sheep	
Canada	126,827	129,922	-2.4	Edmonton	110.63	117.00	86.14/HD
				Central Alta	108.60	n/a	.70/LB(rail)

EXPORTS

(No. head) to U.S.	1998	1997	% chg
Slaughter	6,009	6,837	-12.1
Feeder	1,135	599	89.5

(Metric Tonnes)	For the period Jan 1 - May 2		
Lamb & Mutton	1998	1997	% chg
- United States	72	38	89.5
- Mexico	31	19	63.2
- Other	5	6	-16.7
- Total	108	63	71.4

IMPORTS

(No. head) from U.S.	1998	1997	% chg
Slaughter	4,538	5,074	-10.6
Feeder	-	-	-

(Metric Tonnes)	Mutton & Lamb		
	1998	1997	% chg
- United States	148	114	29.8
- Australia	1,354	1,384	-2.2
- New Zealand	3,185	3,153	1.0
- Total	4,687	4,651	0.8

UNITED STATES

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U.S Price Summary May, 1998

Total Sheep and Lambs

	1998	1997	% chg
Slaughter ('000 head)	1,616	1,625	-0.6
Avg Dressed Wt (lbs)	70	70	0.0
Lamb/Mutton (mil lbs)	109.7	108.7	0.9

	Price Range
Choice Lambs - San Angelo	63.13
BOXED LAMB CUTS - Des Moines	
Shoulder, Cross-Cut, 4 rib	115.00-125.00
Chuck 4-rib	125.00-150.00
Ribs, Denver style	175.00-210.00
Legs, double trotter-on	130.00-150.00
Loins, trimmed, 4x4	385.00-450.00
LAMB PELTS - SHORN	
Fall Clips	18.00-19.00
No.1	18.00

Source: Red Meat Section, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

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